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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 8 June 1979

The Director was attending a PRC meeting; Mr. Carlucci chaired the meeting. []

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Lehman said an Alert Memorandum would probably be out today on Nicaragua indicating that the Sandinistas are likely to succeed. Mr. Carlucci noted that our analysts have been reporting right along that Somoza's position appeared secure. Bowie said he is looking into this. []

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Stein said that despite threats on Ambassador Dean's life and State's order for him to leave Beirut for 10-14 days, [] agrees with Dean's insistence that the situation in Lebanon is too important for him to leave now. []

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Mr. Carlucci called attention to today's NID article, "New Challenges to Khomeini," and asked when we will be reporting on complete deterioration in Iran. []

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Hitz reported on the 7 June appearance of General McAuliffe, Commander of the U.S. Southern Command, before the House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee on the subject of Panamanian and/or Cuban involvement in Nicaragua. Hitz noted a potential predicament in General McAuliffe's discussion of CIA information on this subject in executive session. Hitz said he coordinated with McMahon/Stein and it was agreed that McAuliffe should be left to proceed on his own without CIA stepping in. []

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Hitz advised that in view of President Carter's 7 June statement on Rhodesia we should anticipate requests from the Hill on "what we know or think" about the Rhodesian election. Mr. Carlucci asked about a paper being done on this. Bowie said that there is a draft paper that has been used in coordination with State but that no finished intelligence paper has been produced. Bowie said, however, that if needed we could put together a briefing. Mr. Carlucci advised Hitz to avoid the issue. []

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Hitz said that HPSCI Subcommittee on Evaluation Staffers Diane LaVoy and Dick Giza met yesterday with Bruce Clark in their continuing search for a full understanding of the NFAC process and the quality of analysis. He noted also that he has put Jim Bush, HPSCI in touch with Nelson Ledsky at State re U-2 reprogramming. []

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Silver reported that the FBI interviewed Senator Bentsen's Staffer, [] 25X1
[] on 6 June re columnist Jack Anderson, but Silver does
not yet know what transpired. He said that in OGC's review of NID sources
for Anderson's recent Washington Post articles, plagiarism is clear, but
before approaching the Attorney General on this we should first be certain
of the classification of the 1975 NID material source; that is, that the
information was properly classified at that time and if the same classifi-
cation holds today. [] 25X1

Silver said in regard to financial disclosures that the Ethics Office
has authorized a grace period for those agencies which requested exemption
regarding public disclosure, at least until the President makes a decision. [] 25X1

Mr. Carlucci observed that the Attorney General's 4 June letter
supporting a new statute preventing disclosure of information identifying
Agency officers and agents was most helpful and asked Silver to advise of
next steps. (Action: GC) [] 25X1

May announced that [] currently overseas, will become 25X1
the new Deputy Director of Medical Services. May reported also that in an
effort to acquire needed space at Headquarters a current plan is to move
the Rendezvous Room up to the gallery of the south cafeteria, freeing up
about 3,500 square feet of space. Noting some of the problems this can
pose, May asked that Staff Meeting principals telephone their reactions to 25X1
him soon. [] 25X1

[] announced that [] DDS&T, will be the new Executive 25X1
Secretary, IR&DC vice [] who has returned to NSA. He said 25X1
that he [] and [] would be taking up their new positions 25X1
on Monday, 11 June. He said also that Snodgrass, HAC, has scheduled a 25X1
reprogramming hearing in addition to the CIA budget hearing on 18 June;
it is possible that, for CIA, both sessions might be combined. [] 25X1

Bowie reported that, at yesterday's meeting of Intelligence Community
principals, the IIM: "Monitoring a SALT II Agreement" was approved and 25X1
it will be available early next week. Bowie said that Dirks' security
concerns were accommodated and that [] had done a "superb job" 25X1
throughout. [] 25X1

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Dirks asked Mr. Carlucci about the meeting (6 June) on APEX. Mr. Carlucci said that he is particularly concerned with cost and has asked RMS, to conduct a detailed examination of software requirements. (S)

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